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1. (C) SUMMARY: THE SECURITY COUNCIL INTENDS TO ISSUE

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THE TEXT BELOW AT PARAGRAPH 6 AS A PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT ON RWANDA APRIL 26. ALL U.S. AMENDMENTS DISCUSSED IN REF A ARE INCLUDED IN THE TEXT. RWANDAN REPRESENTATIVES SEEM PIQUED AT A REQUEST BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO REFRAIN FROM ENTERING INTO THE DISCUSSION OF THE TEXT. END SUMMARY.

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2. (C) THE NAM CAUCUS PRODUCED A DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT APRIL 24 IN RESPONSE TO THE SYG'S 9 APRIL REPORT (REF B). AFTER DISCUSSIONS ON APRIL 25 A WORKING GROUP TO DISCUSS THE TEXT CONVENED AFTERNOON OF APRIL 26.

3. (C) DURING THE WORKING GROUP, A DELEGATION ASKED THE RWANDAN POLOFF FOR CLARIFICATION ON A FACTUAL POINT ABOUT GOR DECISION TO INVESTIGATE THE KIBEHO INCIDENT. TO THE SURPRISE OF MOST DELEGATIONS, THE RWANDAN SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION, AND THEREFORE WOULD PREFER NOT TO ANSWER THE QUESTION. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKING GROUP ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAD SUGGESTED TO THE RWANDANS THAT THEY PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKING GROUP AS PASSIVE OBSERVERS TO FACILITATE REACHING A CONSENSUS TEXT, BUT HAD NOT MEANT THAT THEY WERE FORBIDDEN TO SPEAK. HE INDICATED THAT RWANDA WOULD PRESENT ITS AMENDMENTS AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL NEXT MORNING.

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5. (U) RWANDAN DELEGATION DISTRIBUTED A PRESS RELEASE LATE APRIL 26 EXPRESSING DEEP REGRET FOR THE LOSS OF 300 LIVES, SOME KILLED OR MUTILATED BY MACHETE, OTHERS KILLED WHEN GOVERNMENT FORCES AND UNAMIR TROOPS RESPONDED IN SELF DEFENSE AGAINST ARMED ATTACK BY MILITIA AND FORMER SOLDIERS INSIDE THE CAMP. THE PRESS RELEASE ANNOUNCED THE GOR DECISION TO INVESTIGATE. IT CLAIMED THAT MILITIA AND EX-FAR SOLDIERS TOOK REFUGE IN THE CAMPS WITH THEIR ARMS DURING OPERATION TURQUOISE, AND THAT THE KIBEHO CAMP WAS USED FOR TRAINING AND INFILTRATION. THE GOR DECIDED TO CLOSE ALL IDP CAMPS TO PREVENT INCURSIONS, ENCOURAGE IDPS TO RETURN HOME INSTEAD OF LIVING ON HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE, AND FREE IDPS HELD HOSTAGE BY MILITIA. THE GOR APPEALED TO DONORS TO RESIST A QUICK RESPONSE OF CONDEMNATION, AND TO CEASE SUPPORTING THE MILITIA AND EX-FAR.

6. (U) BEGIN TEXT OF DRAFT STATEMENT:

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- THE SECURITY COUNCIL HAS CONSIDERED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PROGRESS REPORT ON THE UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA (UNAMIR) (S/1995/297, OF 9 APRIL 1995) AND HIS THIRD REPORT ON SECURITY IN RWANDESE REFUGEE CAMPS (S/1995/304, OF 14 APRIL 1995), AS WELL AS THE ORAL BRIEFING FROM THE SECRETARIAT ON THE TRAGIC EVENTS ON 22 APRIL 1995 AT THE KIBEHO CAMP FOR INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL CONDEMNS THE KILLING OF NUMEROUS CIVILIANS IN THE CAMP AND CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA TO CARRY OUT A FULL INVESTIGATION OF THESE EVENTS WITHOUT DELAY AND TO BRING TO JUSTICE THOSE RESPONSIBLE. IN THIS REGARD IT WELCOMES THE DECISION OF THE RWANDESE AUTHORITIES TO CREATE A JOINT COMMISSION COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF RWANDA AND THE UN TO CARRY OUT THIS INVESTIGATION ON THE EVENTS. THE COUNCIL ALSO REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO REPORT WITHOUT DELAY TO THE COUNCIL ON THESE EVENTS, INCLUDING ANY

CONSTRAINTS WHICH UNAMIR MAY HAVE FACED IN THE
FULFILLMENT OF ITS MANDATE.

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- THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS CONCERNED BY THE GENERALLY
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DETERIORATING SECURITY SITUATION IN RWANDA. IT
UNDERLINES THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA BEARS PRIMARY
RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING SECURITY THROUGHOUT THE
COUNTRY AND FOR THE SAFETY OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED
PERSONS AND RETURNEES, AS WELL AS FOR ENSURING RESPECT
FOR THEIR BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS. IN THIS CONTEXT IT
REAFFIRMS THE NEED FOR COORDINATION BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA AND UNAMIR AND OTHER AGENCIES ON
THESE MATTERS. THE COUNCIL DOES, HOWEVER, NOTE WITH
SATISFACTION THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA HAS IN
PREVIOUS MONTHS MADE CONSIDERABLE EFFORTS DIRECTED AT
NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, REHABILITATION AND
RECONSTRUCTION, WHICH ARE OF CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE. THE
COUNCIL CALLS ON THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA TO INTENSIFY
THESE EFFORTS AND ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO
CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THOSE EFFORTS, IN ORDER TO BRING
ABOUT A CLIMATE OF TRUST AND CONFIDENCE WHICH WOULD
ASSIST IN THE EARLY AND SAFE RETURN OF REFUGEES. IN
THIS CONTEXT, IT INVITES THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA TO
RESPOND TO THE UNITED NATIONS PROPOSAL ON PROVIDING
ASSISTANCE IN DEMINING.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL PAYS TRIBUTE TO ALL MEMBERS OF
UNAMIR. IT REAFFIRMS THAT UNAMIR CONSTITUTES ONE
ESSENTIAL FACTOR FOR CREATING A CLIMATE OF CONFIDENCE
AND FOR PROMOTING STABILITY AND SECURITY. IN THIS
CONTEXT, IT UNDERLINES THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA FOR THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF ALL
UNAMIR PERSONNEL AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL STAFF SERVING
IN THE COUNTRY. IT URGES THE RWANDESE AUTHORITIES TO

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AGREEMENT ON THE STATUS OF UNAMIR AND ITS PERSONNEL,
REFLECTING THE CHANGES IN UNAMIR'S MANDATE FOLLOWING
FROM SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 918 (1994). THE
COUNCIL CALLS FOR INCREASED COOPERATION AND
COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA, ITS
NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES AND UNAMIR AS WELL AS OTHER
AGENCIES, INCLUDING IN THE HUMANITARIAN FIELD.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL NOTES WITH DEEP CONCERN
DISTURBING REPORTS OF INCREASED INCURSIONS INTO RWANDA
FROM NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES, ALLEGATIONS OF ARMS
SHIPMENTS INTO THE GOMA AIRPORT AND OF ELEMENTS OF THE
FORMER RWANDESE GOVERNMENT FORCES BEING TRAINED IN A
NEIGHBOURING COUNTRY. IT CALLS UPON ALL STATES,
ESPECIALLY THOSE NEIGHBOURING RWANDA, TO REFRAIN FROM
ANY ACTION THAT WOULD FURTHER EXACERBATE THE SECURITY
SITUATION IN THAT COUNTRY AND TO PREVENT INCURSIONS INTO
RWANDA FROM THEIR OWN TERRITORIES. THE COUNCIL INVITES
STATES AND ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE INFORMATION ON THE
TRANSPORT OF ARMS INTO COUNTRIES NEIGHBOURING RWANDA FOR
THE PURPOSE OF THEIR USE IN RWANDA IN CONTRAVENTION OF
RESOLUTION 918 (1994) TO PASS THAT INFORMATION TO THE
COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED UNDER RESOLUTION 918 (1994) AND
REQUESTS THE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER THAT INFORMATION AS A
MATTER OF URGENCY AND TO REPORT THEREON TO THE SECURITY
COUNCIL.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE
DEPLOYMENT OF THE ZAIRIAN CAMP SECURITY CONTINGENT AND
THE CIVILIAN SECURITY LIAISON GROUP HAS HAD A POSITIVE
EFFECT ON THE SECURITY SITUATION IN REFUGEE CAMPS IN
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- THE SECURITY COUNCIL EMPHASIZES THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE RWANDESE JUSTICE SYSTEM CONTINUES TO BE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN CREATING CONDITIONS OF SECURITY, LAW AND ORDER, CONDUCIVE TO THE RETURN OF REFUGEES FROM ABROAD AND OF DISPLACED PERSONS TO THEIR HOMES. THE COUNCIL CALLS ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA IN RE-ESTABLISHING THE JUSTICE SYSTEM AS A CONTRIBUTION TO CONFIDENCE-BUILDING AND THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER. THE COUNCIL ALSO EXPRESSES GRAVE CONCERN AT THE SITUATION CREATED BY THE OVERCROWDED PRISONS IN RWANDA WHICH HAS RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF NUMEROUS PERSONS IN CUSTODY.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO FACILITATE THE RAPID ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA. IT URGES STATES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 978 (1995) OF 27 FEBRUARY 1995, TO ARREST AND DETAIN PERSONS AGAINST WHOM THERE IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS FALLING

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- THE SECURITY COUNCIL REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA
TO FACILITATE THE DELIVERY AND DISTRIBUTION OF
HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED. IT INVITES
STATES AND DONOR AGENCIES TO DELIVER ON THEIR EARLIER
COMMITMENTS AND TO FURTHER INCREASE THEIR ASSISTANCE.
THE COUNCIL STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF RWANDA OPENING
ITS BORDERS TO ALLOW UNIMPEDED SHIPMENTS OF HUMANITARIAN
ASSISTANCE BY UNITED NATIONS AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS TO REFUGEES IN NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES. IT

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URGES GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION, WHICH
DEMONSTRATED A POSITIVE ATTITUDE, TO CONTINUE TO KEEP
THEIR BORDERS OPEN.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL APPEALS TO ALL STATES TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED IN THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES, RETURNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION HELD IN BUJUMBURA IN FEBRUARY 1995, IN ORDER TO CONTRIBUTE TO FACILITATE THE RETURN OF REFUGEES. THE COUNCIL WELCOMES THE DAR-ES-SALAAM TRILATERAL AGREEMENT OF 12 APRIL, 1995, ON THE VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION OF RWANDESE REFUGEES FROM TANZANIA.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL REAFFIRMS THE VIEW THAT AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE WOULD CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALLY TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE SUB-REGION. IT WELCOMES THE INTENTION OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO CARRY OUT CONSULTATIONS WITH ALL CONCERNED SO THAT SUCH A CONFERENCE CAN BE HELD AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.

- THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL REMAIN SEIZED OF THE MATTER.
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